

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 9, as follows:

The present invention deals with the field of turbines. It relates to a process for producing a turbine blade or vane ~~in accordance with the preamble of claim 1.~~

Please amend the abstract on page 12 as follows:

In a process for producing a turbine blade or vane, ~~a casting (10') which is in the basic shape of the turbine blade or vane is produced in a casting mold, and the casting (10') is then subjected to material removing machining in order to complete the turbine blade or vane. In a process of this type, a change to the leading edge geometry of the blade in order to optimize the turbine properties is made possible in a particularly simple and rapid way by virtue of the fact that the altered leading edge angle is achieved by changing the machining of the casting (10') while retaining the same casting mold~~ providing a casting mold for casting the turbine blade or vane, the casting mold including a blade or vane platform and a main blade or vane part, and a position of the main blade or vane part relative to the blade or vane platform determining a first angle of incidence; providing additional machining stock to the blade or vane platform at predetermined locations; machining the casting using a process which is specified for the first angle of incidence; rotating the casting around a longitudinal axis for an angle which is equal to the difference between said first angle of incidence and a second angle of incidence, and subjecting said rotated casting to said machining process to remove at least partially the additional machining stock.